

Ansible Community: progress & updates, outreach & events

Ansible Community Day 2023

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Housekeeping

- Coffee breaks
- Lunch from 12:00 - 13:00
- Afternoon: 2 breakout tracks
 - Breakout 1 - Commonwealth Ballroom
 - Breakout 2 - Grand Ballroom
- Partner and Community reception 17:00 - 18:00



Details:

<https://hackmd.io/@ansible-community/ACD2023-Boston>

Ansible Community Team - who are we?



Andrei Klychkov (Czech Republic)

GitHub: [Andersson 007](#) / Matrix: @andersson007_:matrix.org
Interests: the Community / collections / Steering Committee / contributors and maintainers / programming



Anwesh Das (Sweden)

GitHub: [anweshadas](#) / Matrix: @anwesh:ansible.im
Interests: tech-policy/legal/software-licensing/Foss Communities/knitting/dancing



Carol Chen (Finland)

GitHub: [cybette](#) / Matrix: @cybette:ansible.im
Interests: orchestrating events / composing newsletters / playing in an (actual) orchestra



Don Naro (Ireland)

GitHub: [oraNod](#) / Matrix: @orandon:ansible.im
Interests: docs-as-code / CI / user journeys / community / gardening / music / words

Ansible Community Team - who are we?



Greg Sutcliffe (UK)

GitHub: [GregSutcliffe](#) / Matrix: @gwmngilfen:ansible.im
Interests: community dynamics / governance systems /
Bayesian statistics / surveys / baking / gaming / walking



Leo Gallego (Argentina)

GitHub: [leogallego](#) / Matrix: @leo:ansible.im
Interests: asados / FOSS communities / hiking /
analogue and stenopeic photography / tech / gaming



Sandra McCann (USA)

GitHub: [samccann](#) / Matrix: @samccann:ansible.im
Interests: docs-as-code/community/cli FTW!



Walter Bentley (USA)

GitHub: [wbentley15](#) / Matrix: @wbentley15:ansible.im
Interests: community strategies / problem solver /
cigars / golf / amateur marksman



Community Team mission

Our goal is to foster and empower our community of contributors and users.

Our main functions are:

- Commit to the success of our community contributors and users.
- Amplify the voices of our community.
- Identify and create opportunities for contributors.
- Maintain and grow an open culture that can execute toward common goals.
- Be a catalyst for innovative thinking and improvements.

We are here to help !

Ansible Project mission statement

The Ansible Community is refreshing its mission statement!

We want to know what Ansible means to you, please fill out this short survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/DLBZPP5>



State of the Ansible Community

Greg Sutcliffe shared this at Cfgmgmtcamp in Feb 2023:

- Recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B-AODeqjvss>
- Blog post: https://ansible.github.io/community/posts/state_of_the_community_2023.html
- TL;DR
 - We're a big project but the trends are not good
 - The community is has many parts but is becoming fragmented
(take a look at <https://docs.ansible.com/ecosystem>)
 - The community has no effective voice (no single website, blog, or discussion place)
 - We need to build a community website separate from the product site
 - We need to build a forum to bring discussions/support together

Community Website Update

WIP:

<https://ansible-community.github.io/community-website/>

Repo:

<https://github.com/ansible-community/community-website>

Join the WG:

<https://matrix.to/#/#website:ansible.com>

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the Ansible Community website with links for Blog, GitHub, Fostodon, Discourse, Archive, Tags, and RSS feed. The main content area features a hero section titled "Automation powered by people" with a sub-header "Ansible 7 is now available" and a code snippet `pip install ansible`. Below this are three feature highlights: "Agentless automation that is simple, secure, and works everywhere.", "Extensible framework with collections available for virtually every use case.", and "Powered by a large, vibrant open-source community." At the bottom of the screenshot is a dark blue banner for "Subscribe to the Bullhorn" newsletter, including a text input field for an email address and a "Subscribe" button.

Community Forum Update

- We've asked our community for their opinion on having a forum
<https://github.com/ansible-community/community-topics/issues/202>
- We've been running an internal test instance to scope the usage needs
- We're in discussions with CDCK about hosting
- We hope to be able to welcome you to forum.ansible.com very soon!

Where are you on your Automation journey with Ansible?

Get started with Ansible 📌

[Understand the fundamentals of Ansible automation](#)

[Install the Ansible package](#)

[Run your first ad hoc command in a few easy steps](#)

Users ⚙️

[Start writing Ansible playbooks](#)

[Learn about Ansible modules](#)

[Build inventory files to manage multiple hosts](#)

» [Continue the Ansible user journey](#)

Developers </>

[Set up your development environment](#)

[Learn how Ansible works](#)

[Write custom modules or plugins](#)

» [Continue the Ansible developer journey](#)

Maintainers 🧑

[Review community maintainer responsibilities](#)

[Understand Ansible contributor paths](#)

[Explore ways to grow community](#)

» [Continue the Ansible community maintainer journey](#)

From: <https://docs.ansible.com/>

Persona: Evangelist/Ambassador

- Organize Ansible meetups
- Speak at meetups / events
- Blog posts / videos / content



Ansible Community Day

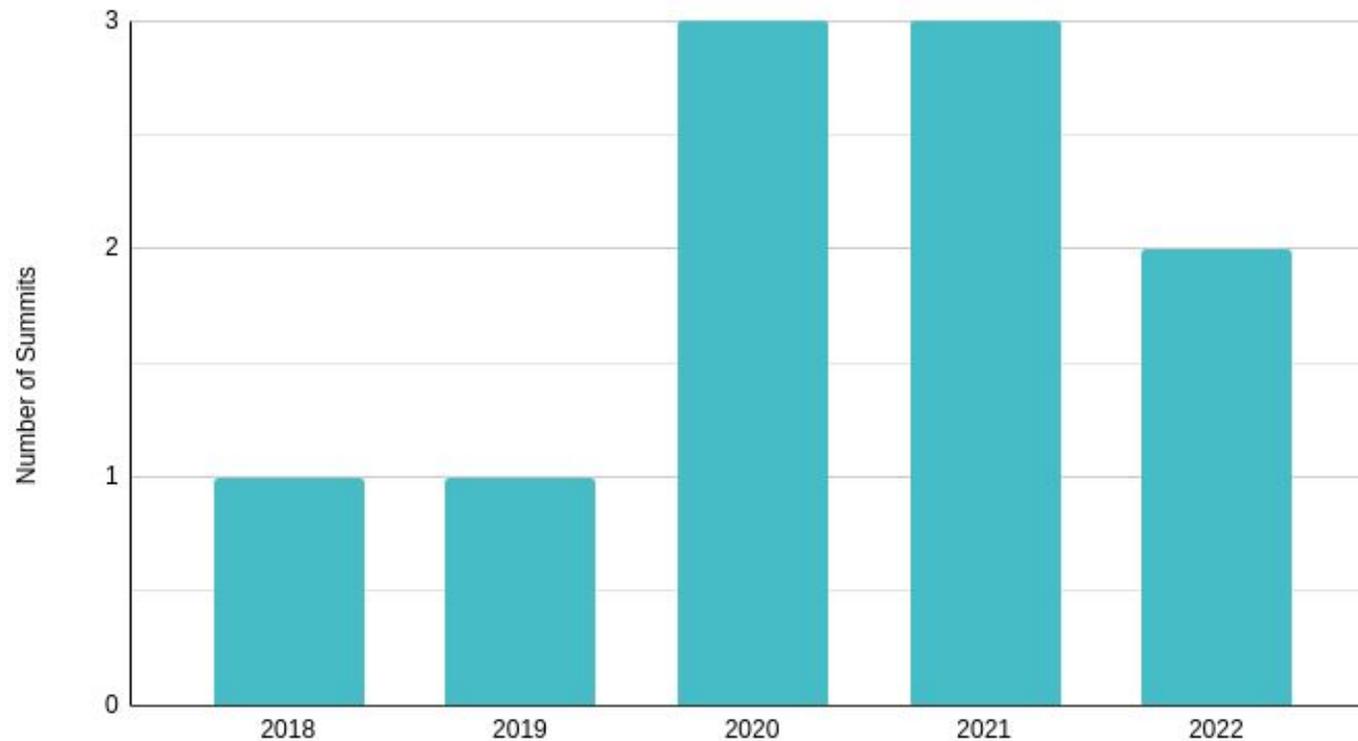
- Ansible Community Day India
 - February 25, 2023 in Pune
 - 6 talks, 2 workshops, 2 BoFs
 - 80+ attendees from 6 colleges and 25 organizations all over India
- Ansible Community Day @ AnsibleFest / Red Hat Summit 2023
 - May 22, 2023
 - 15 talks, 1 panel discussion
 - 300+ attendees?



<https://twitter.com/Ridetotheroots/status/1629353554317291520> (image source)

Ansible Contributor Summit

Number of Contributor Summits each year



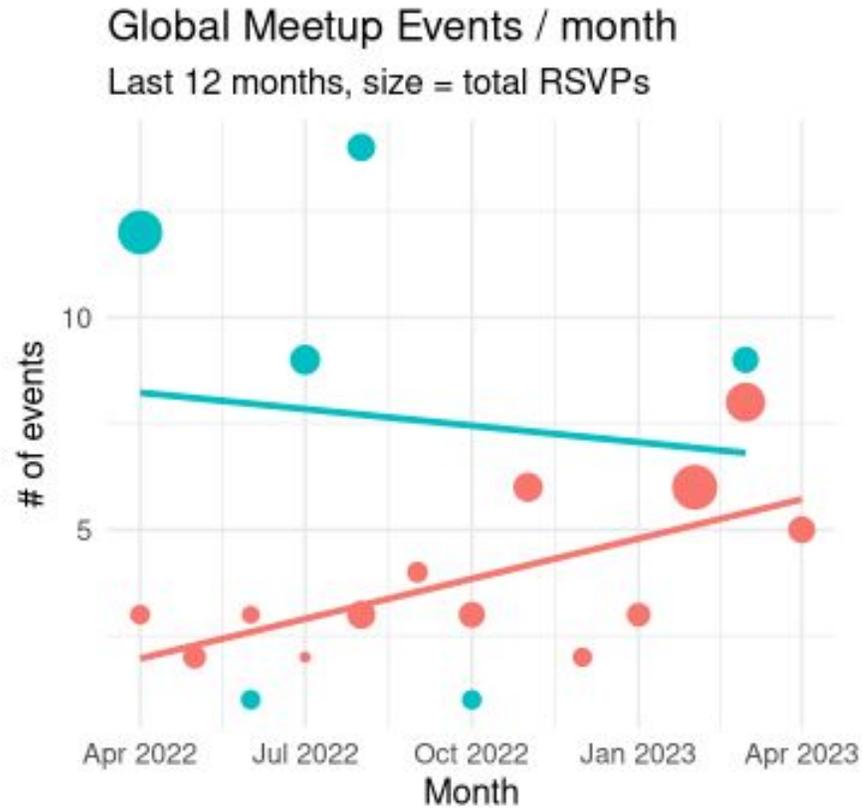
2023: Feb 8 in Ghent (part of Cfgmgmtcamp)

Playlist:

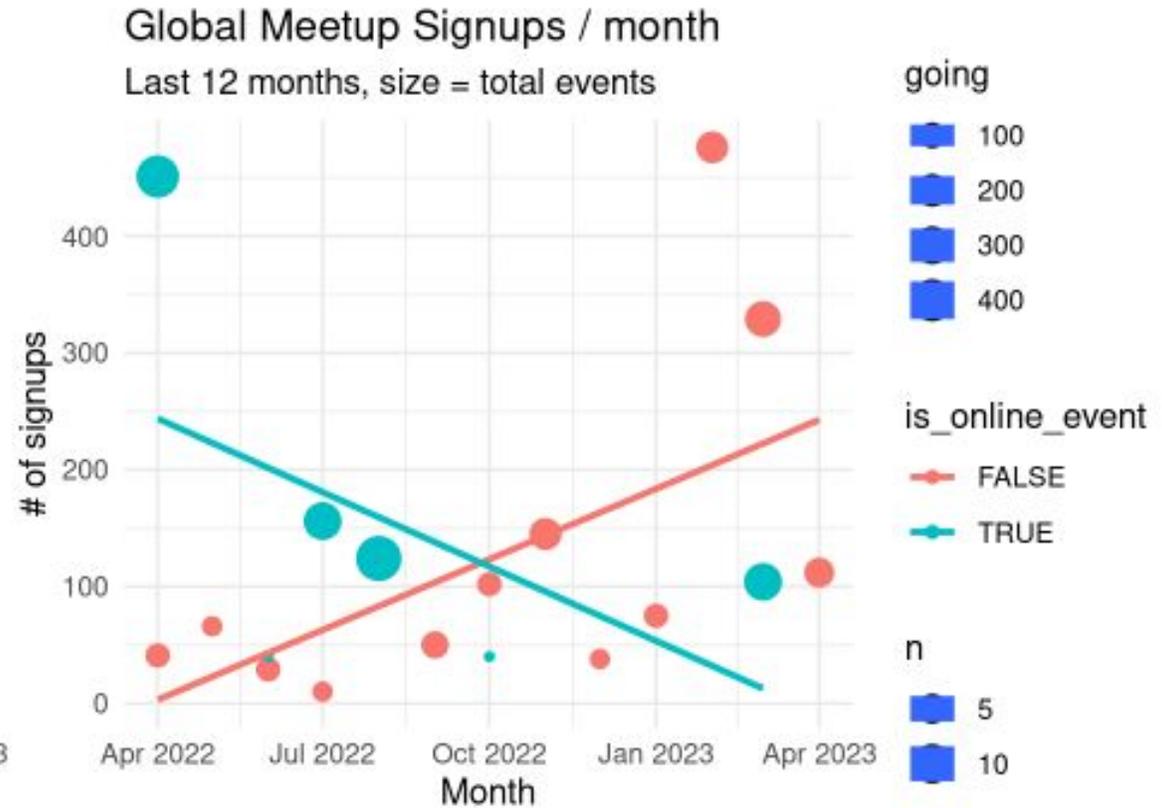
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ezaX-cHIN-g>

Planning more for 2H 2023.

Ansible Meetups around the world



Source: Meetup API



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As of: May 22, 2023



Upcoming meetups; Organizers' Toolkit

- May 25 - Singapore - Ansible Meetup @ Red Hat Office - May 2023
- May 31 - Zürich - 13th Ansible Meetup
- June 7 - Québec/Montréal (online) - Rencontre juin 2023
- June 8 - Bern - 3. Ansible Meetup Bern
- June 15 - Minneapolis - AnsibleFest/Summit 2023
Announcements Recap
- June 17 - Benelux - Ansible AAP Meetup

Collection of resources to support meetup organizers

- What to do at various milestones of meetup organization
 - Starting an Ansible meetup group
 - Planning a meetup event
 - On the day of the event
 - After the event / followups
- Resources include
 - Email templates
 - Social media templates
 - Logos
 - Presentation templates

The Bullhorn

Subscribe!

- <https://bit.ly/subscribe-bullhorn>

Contribute!

- join `#social:ansible.com` on Matrix, mention `newsbot` with your message/post



Matrix

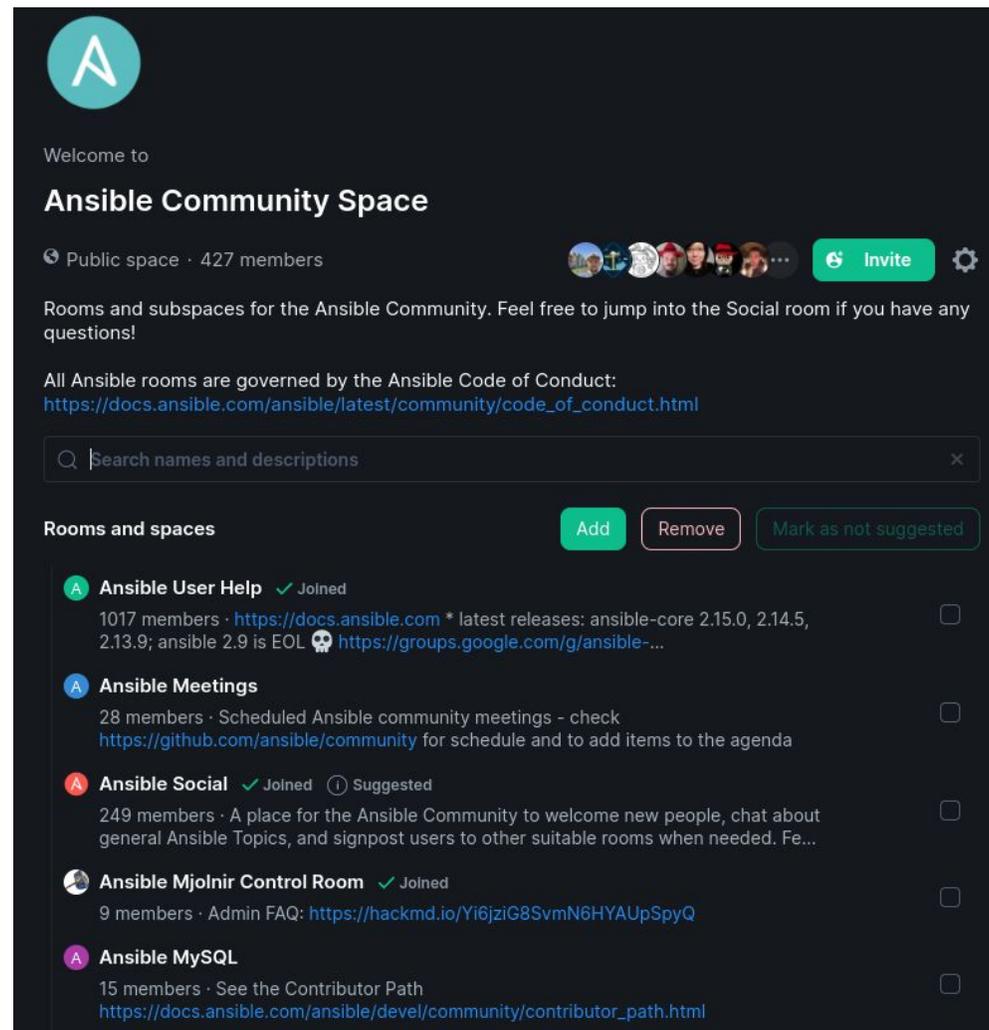
To join the community using Matrix, you need:

- a Matrix account (@name:matrix.server)
- a Matrix client (we recommend Element)

Check out: #space:ansible.com

More details:

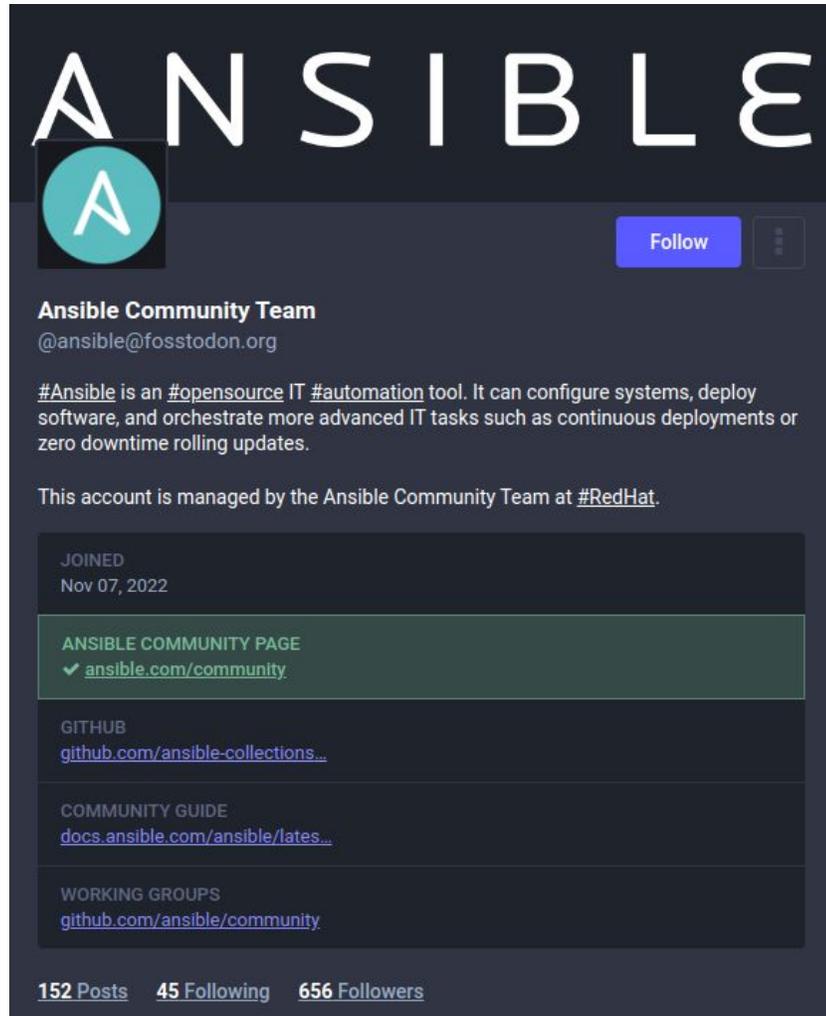
<https://docs.ansible.com/ansible/devel/community/communication.html#real-time-chat>



The screenshot shows the Matrix interface for the 'Ansible Community Space'. At the top, there is a welcome message and the room name 'Ansible Community Space'. Below this, it indicates the room is a 'Public space' with '427 members'. There is an 'Invite' button and a settings gear icon. A search bar is present with the placeholder text 'Search names and descriptions'. Below the search bar, there are three buttons: 'Add', 'Remove', and 'Mark as not suggested'. The main content area lists several rooms and spaces:

- Ansible User Help** (Joined): 1017 members. Description: <https://docs.ansible.com> * latest releases: ansible-core 2.15.0, 2.14.5, 2.13.9; ansible 2.9 is EOL. <https://groups.google.com/g/ansible-...>
- Ansible Meetings**: 28 members. Description: Scheduled Ansible community meetings - check <https://github.com/ansible/community> for schedule and to add items to the agenda
- Ansible Social** (Joined, Suggested): 249 members. Description: A place for the Ansible Community to welcome new people, chat about general Ansible Topics, and signpost users to other suitable rooms when needed. Fe...
- Ansible Mjolnir Control Room** (Joined): 9 members. Description: Admin FAQ: <https://hackmd.io/Yi6jziG8SvmN6HYAUpSpyQ>
- Ansible MySQL**: 15 members. Description: See the Contributor Path https://docs.ansible.com/ansible/devel/community/contributor_path.html

Mastodon



The screenshot shows the Mastodon profile for the Ansible Community Team. At the top, the word "ANSIBLE" is written in large, white, spaced-out letters. Below it is a circular profile picture with a white letter 'A' on a teal background. To the right of the profile picture is a blue "Follow" button. The name "Ansible Community Team" and the handle "@ansible@fosstodon.org" are displayed. A bio paragraph describes Ansible as an open-source IT automation tool. Below the bio, it states the account is managed by the Ansible Community Team at #RedHat. A "JOINED" section shows the date "Nov 07, 2022". There are four link sections: "ANSIBLE COMMUNITY PAGE" with a checkmark and link to "ansible.com/community"; "GITHUB" with link to "github.com/ansible-collections..."; "COMMUNITY GUIDE" with link to "docs.ansible.com/ansible/lates..."; and "WORKING GROUPS" with link to "github.com/ansible/community". At the bottom, statistics show "152 Posts", "45 Following", and "656 Followers".

<https://fosstodon.org/@ansible>

[@ansible@fosstodon.org](https://fosstodon.org/@ansible)



Community logos

“How we built an open source design system to create new community logos”

<https://opensource.com/article/21/4/ansible-community-logos>

Gather back in Commonwealth Ballroom at the end of Ansible Community Day @ 16:30 for some swag.



Community Central @ Red Hat Summit

Lightning Talks:

- Tuesday **14:50-15:10** A Unified and Consistent User Interface for the Ansible Ecosystem, James Talton
- Tuesday **15:50-16:10** From Ansible user to contributor in 20 minutes, Leonardo Gallego
- Tuesday **16:10-16:30** Updates to the Ansible Community Website, Sandra McCann
- Tuesday **16:30-16:50** Ansible Community outreach and events, Carol Chen
- Wednesday **12:30-12:50** Creating your own Ansible Collection, Leonardo Gallego

Thank you



linkedin.com/company/red-hat



youtube.com/user/RedHatVideos



twitter.com/ansible



github.com/ansible



<http://ansible.community>